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Historic Huntsville Home Of President and Mrs. David O. McKay SUP Will Visit Country Farmstead During Ogden Encampment

The President's Message

By Ray Knell

Thank You; And Bless You!

ALL good things must come to an end, as the saying goes, and so it is with the post of president of the National Society Sons of the Utah Pioneers. It is a sad parting yet somewhat of a release from the rush and tensions of the job.

But what a delightful experience! To have the association and companionship of such wonderful men has been most enjoyable—and I hope profitable to our great organization. The support and confidence of the National Board and the chapter officers has been most inspiring. Whatever I have accomplished must surely be because of the guidance and support of these great men.

How else could we have been able to raise around $9,000, as of this date, on the Mormon Battalion Monument (San Diego) campaign, even with several chapters still working on making their quotas and our returns from the "People Of The Book" pageant not as yet exactly determined. It is disappointing to note that a few chapters have not as yet caught the vision of this splendid project and have not done as much as they can and should on this endeavor.

The various Mormon Battalion treks have done much to increase the sociability and fraternalism of SUP. The chapter dinners and socials have been par-excellent.

There is one phase of the work that worries me. So many of our stalwart members are passing on; we wonder what we can possibly do without them. Their places can never be filled—and yet they must—if we are to survive as an organization. What are *you* and *your chapter* doing to get new members for SUP? That is our greatest problem—our gravest concern. We must make this our No. 1 project this new season.

I am deeply grateful to have served as your president for the eventful 1968-69 year. To have my name added to the list of great and marvelous men who have held this position has been an honor and a recognition beyond my wildest dreams.

Bless you all under our new president. Let us perform our responsibilities so as to make him to appear as the best SUP president we ever had!

Last Words of President McKinley

IN THE AFTERNOON of his last day on earth the President realized his life was ebbing away; that the efforts of science could not save him. He asked Dr. Rixey to bring the surgeons in. One by one they entered, approaching the bedside. When they were gathered about him, the President opened his eyes and said:

"It is useless, gentlemen, I think we ought to have prayer."

The dying man crossed his hands on his breast and his eyes were half-closed. There was a beautiful smile on his countenance. The surgeons bowed their heads. Tears streamed from the eyes of the white clad nurses on either side of the bed. The radiance of the sun shone softly in the room.

"Our Father, which are in Heaven," said the President in a clear, steady voice. The lips of the surgeons moved.

"Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done — "

The sobbing of a nurse disturbed the stillness of the air. The President opened his eyes, then closed them again.

"Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven."

A long sigh. The sands of life were running swiftly. The sunlight died out. Raindrops dashed against the windows.

"Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."

Another silence prevailed. Surgeons gazed on the dying face and friendly lips.

"For thine is the kingdom and power, and glory, forever. Amen."

"Amen," whispered the surgeons, and all was over.

(From "Heart Throbs" by James Creelman.)

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HOW GREAT THOU ART

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
And see the stars, and hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed—
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee:
How great Thou art, how great thou art!

—Old Favorite Anthem

Three Words And A Benediction

A ROUGH and rugged fellow drove his huge truck into the construction area where the old chapel was being repaired, alighted and, leaning over the hood of his car, wrote a generous check. He handed it to the bishop and said:

"This may help a little toward fixing up the old meeting house."

The bishop took the check and said, "Yes, we certainly can use this money. Thank you and God bless you!"

"I can use the 'God bless you,' " replied the donor, "so this has been a good deal all around. You get a little something to help with the building and I get a 'God bless you.' "

Three little words, but sincerely uttered they seem to pass all that is the best in one person, into the soul of another. Somehow, these three little words create a depth of understanding, a sense of comradeship and a pledge of loyalty and love, like no other words in the language.

"God bless you," brings to anyone receiving the benediction the assurance that he does not walk alone. With all the bickering and bitterness, complaints, double dealing and deceit rampant these days, it is good to know that there are in the world elders, bishops and preachers who go about blessing those who strive to go good.

When Voltaire was an old man, Benjamin Franklin, a great admirer of the French philosopher, visited him in Paris, taking along his grandson. As they parted Franklin asked the aged oracle to bless the boy.

The old gentleman, supposedly an atheist, pulled the lad to him tenderly, ran his skinny fingers through the little fellow's hair and said, "God bless you, my boy, and may you always remember two words: GOD and LIBERTY!"

The Old Testament priests from Aaron on down, blessed the people with a prayerful "God bless you." In this wise it was commanded of them "shall ye bless the children of Israel saying:

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee; the Lord make his face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee and give thee peace."

In the charming little song-poem "I Passed By Your Window," the poet, thinking of his beloved, sent her this tender benediction:

"I passed by your window
In the cool of the night,
The lilies were watching
So still and so white;
And oh, I sang softly,
Though no one was near;
Goodnight and God bless you—
God bless you, my dear!"

—L.G.

The Message Of Independence Day

INDEPENDENCE DAY, the stirring and exciting "Fourth of July" is to remind all good Americans and true that America is the light of liberty, the shrine of democracy, the light of the world and the hope of humanity against oppression. Our precious citizenship is the spirit of our independence. It consitutes the lifeblood and the heartbeat of America.

A young gentleman in a group of newly-franchised American citizens remarked, following the ceremonies, that next to God and his family he considered this new ciitzenship in the United States, his most priceless possession. He expressed his love for his newly adopted country and was grateful for the freedom it affords him because he had come from a country where such liberties are unknown. He asserted he would fight of this country and this freedom, even if it meant giving his life and that every citizen of the United States ought to feel that way.

If all our citizens felt this way, talked that way and loved that way, we would have no problem from within—no devastating riots, no burnings, plunderings and killings under the guise of demonstrations for civil rights. We would understand what is meant by the noble axiom ". . . this nation under God" and we would know that it means exactly what it says.

Down through the generations have come the stories of heroic Americans who loved the law, who believed that it is a form of anarchy to say that a person need not comply with a particular statute with which he disagrees. They appreciated the fact that ours is a government of laws, not men, and our system cannot tolerate the philosophy that obedience to law rests on the personal likes or dislikes of any individual citizen whether he supports or opposes the statute in question.

The devotions, sacrifices and brave deeds of our American forebears bid us *beware of the scullions and derelicts who would blight our government and our people with the poisonous fumes of anarchy and terrorism.* They would tear down our banner of freedom and hoist in its place the brazen, blood-stained flag of pagan communism. Fie on all who would attempt such villainy! They must be cast out and despised. Like the traitors of the past they must be hurled to the dust and go unwept and unhonored for they are as nothing in the grand spectrum of human freedom.

The Master of all Creation intended that man should be free but is freedom under the law. His words: "I, the Lord God, make you free, therefore ye are free indeed; and the law also maketh you free." (Doctrine and Covenants 98:8) —L.G.

SUP Ogden Encampment Committee which will host the annual convention Aug. 15-16 is shown herewith: Back row—W. S. Butler, vice-president; Ferrell Carter, vice-president; G. Stanley Brewer. Front — James Tolman, Aaron B. Ross, chairman, John A. Shaw, president.

The Ogden SUP Encampment

Varied And Exciting Program Slated Aug. 15-16

Pursuant to tradition the 1969 Sons of Utah Pioneers Encampment must surely go down on the historian's ledger as another of the greatest ever. The conclave will be centered on the beautiful new Weber State College campus, which most SUP member most likely have never seen.

Motif for the convention will be the Golden Spike Centennial observance of which the gathering will be a small part. A trip to Promontory Summit for the reenactment of the driving of the historic spike and a visit to the Corrine Pioneer Memorial Village, feature this phase of the celebration.

Here is the program as outlined by Ogden's enterprising and adventuresome hosts:

Friday, August 15

4 to 6 p.m. — Registration of delegates and guests, new Student Union Building, Weber State College.

6:30 p.m.—Visit to David O. McKay homestead at Huntsville, followed by bread and milk supper, hosted by the Jefferson Hunt Chapter, Transportation will be provided by the Ogden Chapter membership.

Saturday, August 16

8 to 8:30 a.m.—Registration of late comers at Weber College Union.

8:45 to 11:00 a.m. — Annual business meeting and elections, Student Union.

9:00 to 11:00 a.m.—Special program for the ladies, Student Union.

11:30 a.m.—Leave Student Union for Promontory Summit National Monument. Transportation furnished by the Ogden Chapter.

12 noon—Lunch at the Brigham City Park.

1:15 p.m. — Meet at Golden Spike Visitor Center.

1:30 p.m. — Reenactment of driving of the Golden Spike by the original cast (Members of the Brigham City Chapter, SUP).

3:00 p.m.—Visit SUP Railroad Village at Corinne.

7:30 p.m.—President's Banquet, Weber College Student Union Building.

The Mormon Battalion, as always, will conduct its flag-raising ceremonies at the college probably Saturday morning.

Guests will choose their own motels.

A feature of the Saturday evening banquet will be the presentation of the awards for the year: SUP member of the year, couple of the year, SUP prize-winning story writers, SUP Achievement Award, etc. The newly-elected officers will be introduced.

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Weber State College campus, where the Sons of Utah Pioneers will hold their annual encampment Aug. 15-16. Shown here are the beautiful new Union Building and the Fine Arts Center. Hosts are the SUP Chapters of the Ogden area. A most inviting program has been planned for the two-day convention with Gerald Waterfall as general chairman.

Mormon Battalion Song

Tune: "Maryland, My Maryland"

By S. Grant Young

It is to thee our great M.B.
We offer love and loyalty,
In uniform we'll raise the flag
and praise thy roll in history.
The March to California's shore,
The longest known to Army lore;
Through desert sands and mountains o'er,
Sore trails, toil and dangers bore.

(Chorus)

When California's coast they saw,
They gave a shout and loud hurrah,
Unfurled the flag to hold by law,
The land for our Columbia.
So now in gratitude we raise
Our voices loud to sing thy praise;
And importune our Lord to bless,
Your mem-o-ries in holiness.

(Chorus)

We honor thee now more and more,
Your sons will cause they fame to soar,
And keep alive forevermore,
The valiant deeds of our M.B.

Registration Form

(Fill out and send in promptly)

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I will attend the SUP Encampment, Aug. 15 and 16 in Ogden,
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.....Saturday visit to Golden Spike R.R. Center at Promontory Summit. (Luncheon)

.....Saturday evening President's Banquet and Program at Weber State College.

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Word Picture Of Brigham Young As As Trek Commander

The day following the arrival of President Brigham Young at the camp of the Saints on Sugar Creek (Feb. 16, 1868) was clear and cold. There were several hundred families now camped at this place, living in wagons, and tents, waiting for the order to be given to start the journey westward. President Young tells in his history that he spent the day in organizing the group into companies, "and acting the part of a father to everybody."

On Tuesday, Feb. 17, he summoned the brethren of the camp around him. He stood in a wagon and called in a loud voice: "Attention, the whole Camp of Israel.

"I proceed to explain the cause of the delay of the camp, he relates, which was, in short, that Bishop Whitney and Elders Heber C. Kimball and William Clayton were not ready, or were waiting to secure and bring with them Church property for the camp.

"Some of the brethren have been here nearly two weeks, and if all had come on according to counsel, I should have been here sooner, if I had to come without a shirt on my back.

"I wish the brethren would stop running to Nauvoo, hunting, fishing, roasting their shins, idling away their time, but instead fix nosebaskets for their horses and save their corn, and fix more comfortable places for their wives and children to ride; and never borrow without asking leave and be sure to return what was borrowed, lest your brother be vexed with you and in his anger curse you. . .

"I then called upon all who wanted to go along with the camp to raise their right hands, and all hands went up."

Thus the man, Brigham Young, whom historians have named as the greatest colonizer this nation has ever produced, assumed his tasks as leader of the Latter-day Saints, in their migration to the Rocky Mountains. —Preston Nibley in "Exodus To Greatness."

At press time it was learned that centenarian Mrs. Juanita Rendon (story on page 22) had passed away.

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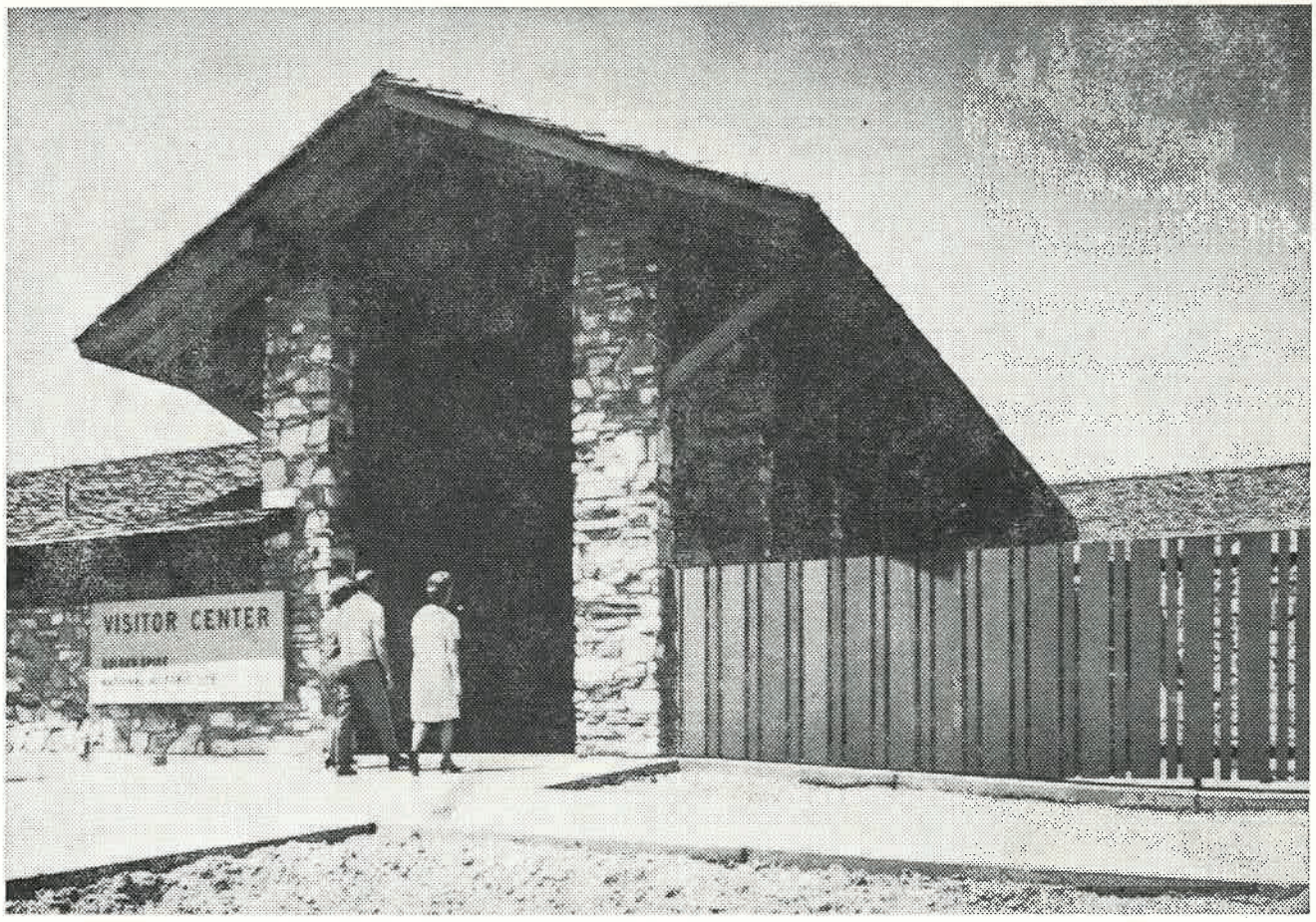

The beautiful new Promontory Summit Visitors Center will be one of the historic sites to be visited by Sons of the Utah Pioneers during their annual encampment at Ogden, August 15-16. The center memorializes the "wedding of the rails" 100 years ago which linked the East and West Coasts of the United States and ended the western pioneer period. An enormous amount of time and money has been spent in gathering historic displays for the center.

$500,000 Facility Completed * * To Be Open Year Around

New Visitor Center Lures SUP To Promontory Summit

(Tribune Golden Spike Feature)

An enormous amount of time and effort on the part of many individuals and groups has been expended in gathering historic displays for the new visitor center at Promontory Summit.

According to recent information from the National Park Service (caretaker and operator of the new facility), the center will be open year 'round for the enjoyment of all.

Plenty of History

What are some of the things that tell the story of the building of the railroads and the joining of the rails on this windswept summit, May 10, 1869?

You'll enjoy a sculptured painting near the entrance of the building (south door) which depicts the little town of Promontory as it was during its very brief history.

A day in history lives for you again as you see the California Hotel, Sunnyside Hotel, Echo Restaurant, Pacific House, the railroad ticket offices and the telegraph office.

You can attend an historical motion picture in the auditorium or see a brief presentation if your time is limited.

Spike Replicas

On display are replicas of the original laurel ties into which the ceremonial spikes were "driven" on that historic day. There are replicas of the spikes, too.

There's a silver-plated spike maul used to drive the ceremonial spikes a century ago. Close by, you'll see the shovel which was used by Pres. Leland Stanford of Central Pacific when he broke ground for that railroad in Sacramento on Jan. 8, 1863.

Climax of your visit will be the moment you see two small locomotives, the Jupiter of Central Pacific and Union Pacific's 119 (replicas) standing nose to nose on the iron rails as they did long ago.

Andy Ketterson is the historian for the National Parks Service which has been responsible for the exhibits at Promontory. In his research, he has delved deep into the area's history.

Final Tracks

He can show you the replica of the final lengths of track which

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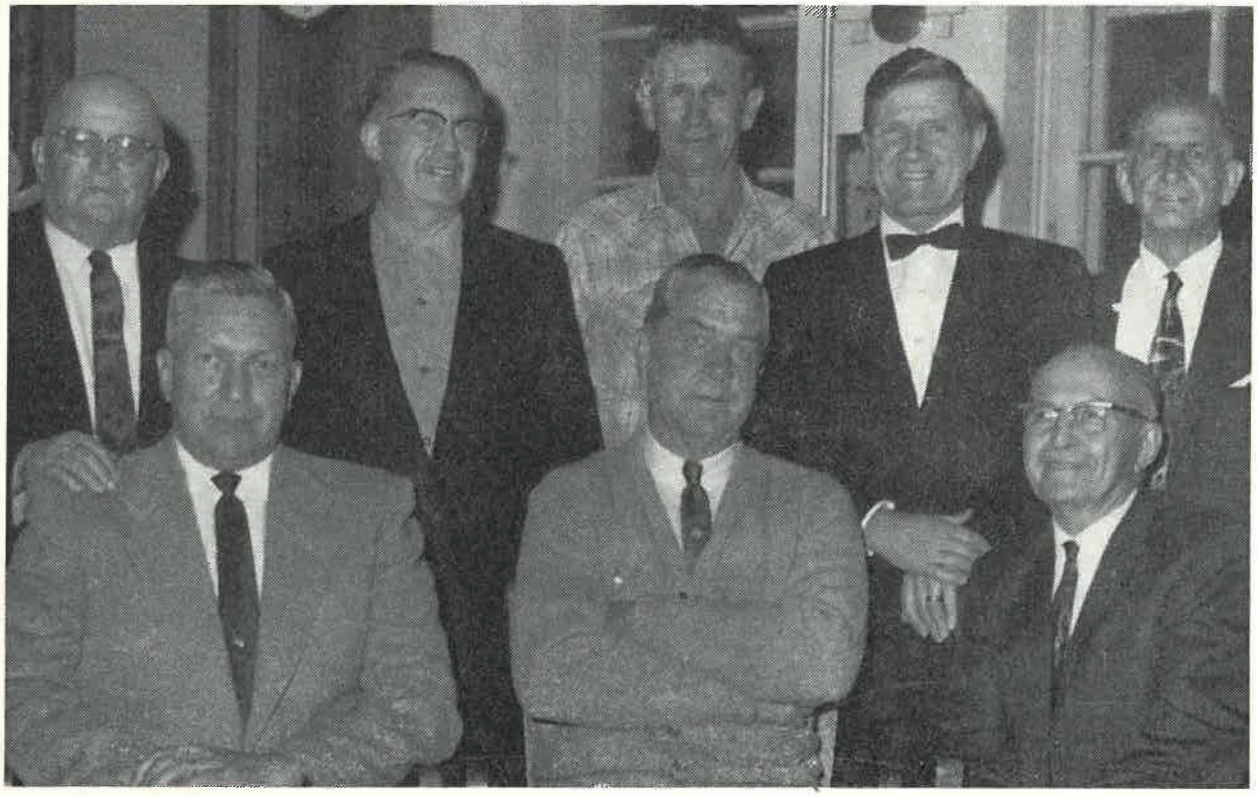

The 1969-70 officers of the George A. Smith Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers are shown herewith: front row—Floyd K. Giles, 2nd vice president; John W. Taylor, president; David S. Nelson, 1st vice president; back row—Luke Clegg, director; Grant S. Thomas, treasurer; Orin V. Watkins, director; Verl G. Dixon, immediate past president Leo R. Freshwater, secretary. Absent—J. Rulon Morgan, historian and director.

Promontory

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joined the nation. You will see the precise square ties laid by the agile Chinese workers as they completed the Central Pacific line from the west. He'll show you the rounded uneven ties harvested from Wasatch and Uintah mountains for Jack Casement and his Union Pacific crews and laid without benefit of milling.

"The Central Pacific had lumber mills at Truckee to turn out ties of even dimensions," Andy said.

For History Buffs

If you are a history buff you'll be interested in traveling about four miles west of the visitors center on an unfinished road. You can walk from your car, a short distance to the right, to see the old CP roadbed where the famous tracklaying event took place—"10 miles of track laid in one day."

How Much It Costs

The cost of attending the Ogden Encampment (members and wives) has been fixed by the committee as follows:

Registration	$2.00	per person
Supper at Huntsville	$2.50	per person
Saturday Lunch	$2.00	per person
President's Banquet	$4.00	per person
TOTAL	$10.50	

Economy package: All the above events for the lump sum of $8.50 per person.

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Promontory Summit Has Its 'Big Inning'

New Visitor Center Takes Over As Golden Spike Cynosure

Promontory Summit has had its big inning with the reenactment of the driving of the Golden Spike on May 10, and is now back in its normal role as a center of interest for visitors and tourists from all over the country. Upward of 12,000 onlookers viewed the reenactment with top brass from the Union Pacific, Southern Pacific Railroads, national political leaders and western governors participating in the colorful and dramatic commemoration.

Activity about the new National Historic Site with its beautiful Visitor Center, indicates that the repeat performances of the reenactment will draw excellent crowds from June 1 to Labor Day. Meanwhile there were performances scheduled for school children at previously-announced dates throughout the summer.

Other centennial events include: Excursions on steam-driven trains from Salt Lake to Ogden; the Union Pacific "Expo Train" featuring replicas of the engines Jupitar and No. 119 on display in Ogden and Cedar City; and Army "Expo" train on display at the Intermountain Indian School at Brigham City and displays and exhibitions of early railroad art at the new Promontory Visitor's Center throughout the summer.

Classic Painting

The classic painting "East Meets West" depicting the driving of the Golden Spike, original art, painted by Frank McCarthy, of Westport, Conn., is the hub of attraction. It was presented to the National Park Service by the Winchester-Western Division of Olin Mathison Chemical Corporation. Also on display is the original silver spike of the Virginia and Truckee Railroad, which was presented to Thomas M. Goodfellow, chairman of the Golden Spike Centennial Commission by Moreland Brown, representing the governor of Nevada.

"The Golden Spike Album" of paintings also went on display in the rotunda of the Utah State Capitol. The collection, sponsored by the Southern Pacific, features paintings on the building of the Central Pacific line to Promontory.

Throughout the celebration are scheduled numerous banquets in Salt Lake City, Ogden and Brigham City keyed to the centennial event. The Mormon Tabernacle Choir, which sang at Promontory, also gave a Golden Spike Centennial Concert on Temple Square.

A preliminary but spectacular feature of the observance was the arrival in Salt Lake City of the High Iron Centennial Special train from New York City, Thursday, May 8 at the Union Pacific Depot. It brought several hundred passengers including prominent R.R. executives and political leaders, including Sen. Frank E. Moss, D-Utah.

Max E. Rich, executive secretary and vice president, the Salt LLake City Chamber of Commerce was there with a troop of white-coated Salt Shakers, official greeters of the chamber, to welcome the many V.Ps. Mayor J. Bracken Lee was on hand with a full supply of golden keys to the city for the top brass railrod people.

Four Engines

Short speeches were given by Ross Rowland, president of High Iron Assn.; Mr. Goodfellow who is also president of the American Association of Railroads, and others.

Pulled by four diesel engines, the cars included several emblazened with signs reading "American Railroads," a dome observation car, two dining cars, several coaches and an old-fashioned observation car. Special commemorative runs between Salt Lake and Ogden were made prior to the Promontory Summit celebration of May 10.

Southern Pacific sent over a similarly-equipped steamer-train from Sacramento arriving a few hours after the U.P. High Iron Special, carrying California and Nevada state and national officials, and railroad executives.

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Our Readers Write

Memories Of A Pioneer Home

"Many have asked me why I do not go to my mother Mary Fielding Smith's old home, which John, my eldest brother, a son of Patriarch Hyrum Smith's first wife; and my sister Martha and I helped to build. I cannot go there for tears fill my eyes as I look upon the place and recall my parents as they looked then — tired and toil-worn, their hands calloused with hard work.

"I see mother's piercing dark eyes, set in a face of stern determination but with a body that showed hard work. I see her suntanned face, home made clothes and I see her barefooted much of the time to save what shoes she had for Sunday meetings. I see her working side by side with us to help make our tiny place and garden to blossom as a rose."

So said my father, President Joseph F. Smith, or words to this effect, as he would hold us on his knee. Tears would sometimes fall down his cheek for he worshiped his angel mother almost as much as he worshiped his God.

"I still remember how, even though I was only eight, herding cows in the Sugar House hills, coming home so tired at night I could hardly wait for supper. Mother always would have something for us to eat, mainly from the garden which she raised with the help of her brother, Joseph Fielding. In fact he helped build the two-room adobe house, with board floor. Many a time we climbed the old ladder up into the attic which was my sister Martha's favorite hiding place."

Aunt Martha, as we called father's sister who became Mrs. Harris of Provo, once fell out of this attic, and she once told my husband, Harold H. Jenson, SUP historian, that her brother Joseph, though just a lad, prayed that there were no bones broken—and there were none.

It took courage in those hard times to build that old family pioneer home, but with faith, prayer and hard work my grandmother, Mary Fielding Smith, accomplished this work, at the same time saving the best she had of everything for tithing.

—Martha Smith Jenson

Which Way in '69?

I sincerely hope with new blood in our government we will accept reality and face sources of world troubles with decisive policies.

The first and foremost being the insistence of godless Communism to export its enslaving dogmas by force. This has caused two of our biggest wars, namely Korean and Viet Nam, and it is the major cause of the trouble in the Middle East where it has spent hundreds of millions to aid and abet with arms and training four or five nations surrounding Israel, encouraging them to vow the destruction of this struggling and courageous little nation.

I submit as a sound policy in all of the turbulent spots in the world that the initial censure should be leveled at the individuals, groups or nations that are essentially the seat of the trouble, namely the law violators, the deviators, the subversives, and those countries insisting on imposing their brand of dictatorial doctrines on other peaceful people.

We should not be reticent in using our tremendous news facilities to propagandise the world as to the difference of our objectives and those of the communist world. We give aid to others primarily to help them help themselves. The communist countries give aid to nations to "get their foot in the door" of their political structures with the eventual objective of total subjugation and control.

—S. Grant Young

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SUP PROFILES

Charles B. Petty

Pioneer Profiles this issue, salutes Charles B. Petty, devoted SUP member, civic leader, church worker and business leader.

Mr. Petty

Mr. Petty was born in Rockville, Utah. At the age of 8 and for several years thereafter, he assisted his father in growing corn on the very spot where the Zion Park Lodge now stands. This boy learned to love Zion Canyon with its towering pink peaks as the most heavenly spot on earth. At the age of 17 he saw a railroad for the first time.

In 1914 Mr. Petty took William Spry, governor of Utah, and Douglas White of the Union Pacific Railroad, into Zions Canyon in his father's white top buggy which started the ball rolling to publicize the wonderful scenery.

Former Missionary

Mr. Petty graduated from the University of Utah and fulfilled a mission for his church in England with headquarters in the city of London. He was the author of a gospel tract which was printed into six languages and was used very extensively.

Upon his return he delved into business with his father in the town of Hurricane, Utah. A dozen years later he was the owner of a general store, a drug store, picture show and the Ford agency, besides being vice president of the State Bank of Hurricane.

Mr. Petty was a great civic booster and served on the County Board of Education for eight years and was County Superintendent of Schools for two years. He also represented this county in the state legislature in 1925 and again in 1927 under Gov. George Dern.

Authors Address System

He was the author of a bill abolishing all proper names of roads and numbering the highways which ran north and south with odd numbers, and those running east and west with even numbers. He was also author of a bill making the road from Hurricane, Utah, to intersect with Highway 91.

In 1917 Mr. Petty became the Ford dealer, and in 1927 moved to Cedar City where he became director in the Bank of Southern Utah. In 1936 at the invitation of the Ford Motor Company, Mr. Petty moved to Salt Lake City and established his business in Sugar Houes.

Amazing Genealogy Book

His greatest achievement has been the publishing of "The Albert Petty Family" book, rated as one of the finest and most expensive in America, with 322 large pages, 200 pictures, many in color, dozens of stories, and leather-bound, with much rare and thrilling history of church and state.

Mr. Petty has been a member of the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce for 33 years where he has served on the Highway Committee. He has been a member of the Rotary Club for 32 years, and SUP, Sugar House Chapter for 11 years.

Charles and Maggie Petty have an outstanding family of five children—all with college degrees.

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Franklin E. Seal, Jr.

Franklin E. Seal, Jr. is serving his third term as an officer of the Temple Quarry Chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. He was chaplain for two years and as first vice-president one year.

Mr. Seal

He and his charming wife, Connie attend all SUP functions as well as monthly chapter meetings and enthusiastically support all projects, activities and fund-raising events.

Franklin was born Mar. 3, 1889 at Riverton, Utah, a son of Franklin E. Seal, Sr. and Mary Ellen Bills. He celebrated his 80th birthday on Mar. 3 and was honored at an open house reception. Several hundred friends and relatives came to pay him tribute.

The Seals are the parents of eight children. Franklin has four brothers and four sisters still living.

He has lived in Riverton and operated a grocery store there for 39 years. He served as a member of the water board for 31 years (Utah Lake Distributing Co. and Provo River Water Co.). He has been interested in farming all his life.

Franklin and Connie Seal are travel enthusiasts and have traveled extensively, visiting mostly the Holy Land, Hawaii and Old Mexico.

Active in the church all his life, Franklin served in many positions in the ward and stake and was bishop for five years.

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SUP Pres. Ray Knell, center, accepts check for $900 from John A. Shaw, Ogden Pioneer Chapter, to apply on the Mormon Battalion Monument fund as Eugene P. Watkins, campaign directors smiles approvingly.

Mormon Battalion Monument Benefit

Holladay Chapter Banquet Raises $375

The Holladay Chapter, Sons of the Utah Pioneers, raised $375 for the San Diego Mormon Battalion Monument, when it sponsored a turkey dinner in the Holladay 6th Ward Chapel recently. President Mark Jackman presented the check to National SUP President Ray Knell, who was a guest of honor at the dinner.

National officers were honored at the function. In addition to President Knell, the following members of the National Board were on hand to enjoy the repast: T. Mack Woolley, executive secretary; Lorenzo J. Summerhays, treasurer; Harold H. Jenson, historian; Col. Marvin E. Smith, commanding officer Mormon Battalion; Jay B. Horrocks, E. Morton Hill, board members.

Goal of the monument fund drive is an average of $15.00 per member throughout the chapters. The ultimate goal is $18,000. The Ogden Chapter, Salt Lake Luncheon Club and Sugar House Chapters are other groups that have put on benefit programs to raise the monument fund.

President of the Holladay Chapter is George Quist. The group was organized by Karl B. Hale and Henry Florence and was one of the first groups in the SUP chain of chapters.

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". . . the Saints will continue to suffer much affliction and will be driven to the Rocky Mountains and some of you will live to go and assist in making settlements, and build cities and see the Saints become a mighty people in the midst of the Rocky Mountains."

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Passing Of A Great SUP Leader

Karl Hale Was Organizer, Executive & 'Ideal Member'

By Les Goates

Of some men who have risen to renown in public life, it might be said that they have won much esteem but little affection; of others it might be said that they have been loved more than they were esteemed. But of Karl B. Hale, beloved and devoted SUP brother, organizer and executive, who so suddenly was taken from us on May 24, it must be said that he won both love and esteem in overflowing measure.

Karl, who was SUP Life Member 39, was one of the first to catch the vision of the Society of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers and what it could do for those blessed with this choice heritage. He gave unstintingly of his time, means and splendid talents in organizing, promoting and directing the courses of chapters and the national organizatioin over which he presided so capably as its president.

He was chief organizer of the East Mill Creek and Holladay Chapters and he and his lovely and devoted Delsa attended frequently the functions of both groups, including sometimes the Sugar House Chapter of which he was a former president. The Hale gardens in upper East Mill Creek, with its spacious lawns, flower beds and natural scrub-oak grove, was always available for SUP meetings and parties.

Man Of Generosity

Elder Hale was possessed of keen business acumen but the accumulation of wealth was never his prime motif in dealings with his fellows. He contributed more time and money to the remodeling of the near century-old, picturesque East Mill Creek Meeting House, than any other member of the community. He performed similar service with the Pioneer Memorial Village office and auditorium.

Karl provided exceedingly valuable sub-division land for a beautiful Upper Mill Creek chapel in a typical "give-away" transaction. He was involved in numerous other kindly and generous deals about which the public generally knew nothing. Karl liked it better that way. He never in all his life edged his way into the spotlight.

We are reminded in his passing that Karl Hale left us, not only grief, but something of the nobility of his character and the quality of his devotion. He has been a wise counselor, not only to SUP chapters and officers but to community and Church authorities who have gone to him for advice.

The Ultimate Distinction

Karl has caused us to see that from the lowest level to the loftiest, the ultimate distinction is still between right and wrong. He never had much trouble solving the equation.

The natural kindness of Karl Hale, his quiet gentleness, ready comprehension, quick sympathy, warm humanity, directness of thought and purity of motives: these, like his kindly interest in everybody and the friendly dignity of his bearing, we shall not soon forget. But most of all, we who worked with him in the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, shall remember how faithfully he followed the guiding precepts of the founders of our great society: "to live in brotherhood, service and love that we may ever be a credit to our pioneer heritage.

Karl Barrett Hale
. . . the 'ideal' SUP member

What Karl Hale was to those who loved him most and knew him best, and whom he loved in his serene, undemonstrative manner, we shall not attempt to say, for even the tenderest words can be intrusive at a time like this.

To his beloved Delsa and splendid family, we extend our deepest and heart-felt sympathy — and this is scarcely enough.

THE ANGEL ATOP THE TEMPLE

The statue of the Angel Moroni atop the capstone of the east center tower of the Salt Lake Temple is of hammered copper, twelve feet, five and a half inches in height, heavily gilded with pure gold leaf. It represented the Angel blowing a trumpet proclaiming the restoration of the Gospel.

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Dr. Tanner Honored

Dr. Vosco M. Tanner, former national president, Sons of the Utah Pioneers, was awarded the Dr. James E. Talmage Scientific Achievement Award at ceremonies conducted by Brigham Young University in May. He was instrumental, during his SUP administration, in persuading Dr. Gustave O. Larsen of BYU, to compile the booklet, "Brief History of the SUP."

Author of several scientific papers and published books, Dr. Tanner has given much time also to western history and the achievements of the Mormon Pioneers. He served several terms in the Utah State Legislature.

Chapter Eternal

Karl Barrett Hale

Karl Barrett Hale, 68, Sons of the Utah Pioneers Life Member No. 39, former national president and organizer of the East Mill Creek and Holladay Chapters, died May 24 in the American Fork Hospital, following a heart attack suffered at his farm in nearby Alpine.

Mr. Hale was a member of SUP for 25 years and in addition to organizing two chapters served as president of the Sugar House Chapter. He was an associate of Pioneer Memorial Village and an officer in the Mormon Battalion. He was a chapter member of Sugar House Lions Club and a member of the Alpine Country Club.

In the realm of business Mr. Hale was vice president of Mount Olympus Park and a partner in Sunnyside Development. He was a promoter for Boni Vista Development in Bountiful, Timpanogos Highlands in Orem and Alpine Villa Ranch in Alpine.

He was a director of the National Tile Co. and the Century General Corporation. He owned and operated the Karl B. Hale Floor Service from 1925 to 1952 and was a director of Bonneville Sylvan Life Insurance Co.

Elder Hale served as a missionary in the Eastern States Mission from 1922 to 1924. He was an assistant superintendent of the Sunday School, a home teacher and welfare clerk in the East Mill Creek Eighth and 14th Wards.

He was born June 11, 1900, in Island, Idaho, a son of Albert Henry and Martintha Rebecca Barrett Hale. He married Delsa Grant on Feb. 28, 1925 in the Salt Lake Temple.

Surviving are his widow, two sons and four daughters, Mrs. Rudolph P. (Delsa Joye) Kuhn, Granada Hills, Calif.; Karl Grant, Mrs. Donald R. (Carol) Peterson, both Salt Lake City; Lois Elders, San Rafael, Calif.; Lynn Grant, Alpine; Mrs. Ralph D. (Barbara) Fisher, Philadelphia, Pa.; 32 grandchildren, and two sisters, Sarah Warwood, Burley, Idaho; Xenia Egbert, Twin Falls, Idaho.

Funeral services were held May 28 in the East Mill Creek 14th Ward under the direction of Bishop Lewis L. Farr and burial was in the Memorial Gardens of the Valley.

William T. Patrick

William Thorne Patrick, 79, recently affiliated member of the Sons of Utah Pioneers, died May 31 in a Salt Lake City hospital of a heart ailment.

He was born June 29, 1890 in Salt Lake City, a son of Robert and Caroline Thorne Patrick. He married Edith E. Smith, daughter of Pres. Joseph F. Smith, Jan. 1, 1918 in the Salt Lake Temple. Elder Patrick filled a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to the British Isles in 1910-12.

In other church activity he was a Salt Lake Temple ordinance worker and supervisor for 13 years, counselor in the Ensign Ward bishopric 13 years, Ensign Stake high counselor.

A banker by profession, he was employed by Zions Savings Band and Trust Company for 43 years. He retired in 1955.

Survivors: widow; sons and daughters, Robert S., Joseph F., Mrs. George G. (Eleanor) Richards, Mrs. LeRoy R. (Mary) Ostler), all of Salt Lake City; 18 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brothers, sisters, Walter T., Mrs. Hoff (Carie) Hughes, Mrs. Frank (Elizabeth) Foulger, Mrs. Helen Williams, all Salt Lake City.

Funeral services were held June 3 in the Ensign Ward Chapel.

Death Takes Mrs. Coulam

Funeral services for Mrs. Charles (Mary Odette) Coulam, wife of one of SUP's devout workers in the Los Angeles area, were conducted Apr. 7 in the Lacienega Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Burial was in the Inglewood Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Coulam died in a Santa Monica, Calif., hospital at age 69. She was a native of Jackson, Wyo., and was active in several church organizations, especially Stake Relief Society administrative work. Survivors: husband, two daughters, Mrs. Nancy Jex of Hawthorne, Calif., and Mrs. Billie Jane Morgan of Los Angeles; a sister, Mrs. Gertrude P. Wright of Danville, Calif., and nine grandchildren.

Gronway Robert Parry

Gronway Robert Parry, 80, longtime devoted member and leader in the Sons of Utah Pioneers and former mayor of Cedar City died in a Cedar City hospital May 9. He was widely-acclaimed as a collector of the Iron Mission Park exhibit of horsedrawn vehicles and as found of the Parry Transportation Co.

Mr. Parry's exhibit was one of the largest and most unique of any in the country and he rejected many flattering offers to dispose of his relices. It was his desire to keep it in Cedar City.

He was born Feb. 22, 1889 in Salt Lake City, a son of Gronway and Althea Gardner Parry. He married Afton Leone Parrish on Nov. 30, 1922, in the Salt Lake Temple, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Mr. Parry was active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He is survived by his widow, Cedar City; a son and two daughters: Dr. Dale Parry, Tulsa, Okla.; Mrs. Mal (Toni) Rennings, Chatsworth, Calif., and Mrs. Kerry (Carol) Jones, Cedar City; nine grandchildren; sisters: Mrs. Estella Frampton, Boulder City, Nev.; Mrs. Winefred Melford, San Diego; Mrs. Mary Page, Phoenix, and Mrs. Kay Lane, Kanab.

Funeral services were held May 12 in the Cedar City Seventh-Ninth Ward L.D.S. Chapel and burial was in the Cedar City Cemetery.

Hoyt Addresses Chapter

L.C. Hoyt, vice president of the Southern Pacific Railroad was speaker at the Salt Lake SUP Chapter luncheon on May 7, in the ballroom of the Hotel Utah. He related how the railroads put the stage coaches out of business and now the airplanes are doing the same, except for the freight business.

Mr. Hoyt predicted that something new in railroading is forthcoming that will most likely revivify the passenger trade. The speaker retold the story of the wild celebration in San Francisco and Salt Lake City with the driving of the Golden Spike at Promontory Summit, May 10, 1869.

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The Mormon Battalion On The March

San Diego Monument Trek Headlines Busy Schedule

By Col. Marvin E. Smith
Commanding Officer
Mormon Battalion

SUP's great gift of the MB Monument will likely be dedicated and presented to the City of San Diego on Sept. 6, 1969, if present plans receive approval by the plans receive approval by the California committee.

Col. Smith

We have been encouraged further by the fact that a general L.D.S. authority will probably participate in this activity. The occasion is the 200th anniversary of the founding of Old San Diego.

A charter bus tour is being organized so that representatives of every SUP chapter may be on hand for this event. You have all contributed to this project and therefore you should be on hand to enjoy the culmination of your service. Further tentative details for the Trek will be found elsewhere in this magazine.

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"Hawaii calls" again. The tremendous response and appreciation for our Island tour last March has prompted a repeat so that others may have the same opportunity. We can join a charter plane flight from Salt Lake City which leaves October 3, 1969 and returns October 12. Everything will be first class, and all meals are included except for three days, for the very reasonable price of $399. Ask for brochure and make reservations with any of the committee: Marvin E. Smith, Salt Lake; Fred M. Reese, Kanab; Frank Petty, Cedar City; William Hurd, Tremonton, or Richard A. Lambert, Salt Lake.

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An exciting reunion and party was held for the Hawaiian trekkers who returned in March. More than 100 were in attendance from northern Utah. The Kanab and Cedar City groups have already met and exchanged pictures and memories.

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In The Offing: Days of '47 activities. Recommend that you also join the Sunrise service at Lindsay Gardens, July 24, sponsored by the Pioneer chapter of SUP.

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THE BATTALION HONORS:

Horace A. Sorensen, civic and business leader was named "Man of the Year" by the U. of U. chapter Phi Delta Kappa, professional educational fraternity.

Edna K. Brewster, past commander of the Ladies Auxiliary MB, for the tremendous energy and organization she provided. At the same time she maintained impeccable accounts and records for both the men and women. She was recently chosen Pres.-elect of the Salt Lake Mothers Club.

Harold H. Jenson, tireless promoter, historian, public relations man, original advocate for the MB, past national SUP president, writer, perpetual member of the State Old Folks Committee and friend, is finally going to take a vacation. He left Salt Lake June 3 for a six-month cruise around the world. Hopefully he will get some writing done on valuable materials he has collected over the years. His lifelong dream has come true and we wish him "Bon Voyage."

Clara Knell, Cedar City, active wife of our national president, is completing her second term as state president of the Business and Professional Womens Club. This seems to be a natural role for this "First Lady" for it has been her pattern to be in leadership positions.

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A GREAT PRESIDENT

Ray Knell, our hard-working, effective, friendly, history-making president, has had the fortitude to tackle frightening tasks and forge ahead, making the rest of our SUP membership mighty proud of him and our organization. He has been the 'man of the hour' in the San Diego Monument project which reaches to Italy and back. At personal expense he has trav-

see BATTALION, page 16

THE GOLDEN SPIKE "O.K."

By Leo R. Freshwater

(Tune: Battle Hymn Of The Republic)

Near C O R I N N E, U T A H, just a hundred years ago, today,
The year was Eighteen Sixty-nine, upon the 10th of May,
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Glory, Glory, Hallelujah! Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, Glory, Hallelujah! With A Golden Spike "O. K."
At Promontory Summit, Oh! There was a joyful throng,
For everyone was happy . . . They had worked so very long.
Now that it was completed, they knew nothing would go wrong,
With A Golden Spike "O. K."
Yes, the East and Western States were joined . . . a mighty task indeed,
From Atlantic to Pacific Oceans . . . travel with such speed.
It cheered Our Growing Nation's Heart . . . It filled a long-felt need,
With A Golden Spike "O. K."
There'll always be Historians, to carry on the news.
They will jot it down. Perhaps they'll frown at the simple words we use.
They may add a little fiction, in the flowery words they choose,
With A Golden Spike "O. K."

Virgil H. Smith
. . . a work well done

SUP Virgil Smith Retires As Chief Of Beneficial Life

Virgil H. Smith, president of Beneficial Life Insurance Company since 1958, and devoted member of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, retired as chief executive of this company on May 1. He was succeeded by Conway A. Ashton, vice-president and general counsel.

Mr. Smith started working at Beneficial Life in 1913 as a cashier and bookkeeper. Early in 1916 he was made assistant cashier and in 1917 he was assigned to the actuary department. In 1936, Virgil was appointed secretary and became a member of the board of directors. In 1943 he was elected vice president and a year later became a member of the executive committee.

He was named president of Beneficial Life in February 1958. Mr. Smith is also a director and member of the executive and trust committees of Zion's First National Bank. He is a director and member of the executive committees of the Utah Home Fire Life Insurance Company and the Heber J. Grant & Company.

Other positions of business leadership include the American Service Bureau and the executive committee of the American Life Convention and is former president of the Salt Lake City Board.

The first annual John Ivan Johnson Memorial Award for service to the insurance industry has been presented to Virgil H. Smith, director and chairman of the Investment Committee of Beneficial Life and retired president of the firm.

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Battalion On The March

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eled to the coast and back several times in the interest of SUP. After this monument is dedicated, the next logical public service is the Iron Mission Park, Cedar City. Why shouldn't Ray be given another term as president to wrap up the present deal and complete the park which is right in his own door yard? He couldn't possibly be as busy next year as he has been this one. Our respect and appreciation for Ray Knell who has used good judgment during a year filled with many complications.

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"People of the Book" with its promoters, directors and actors deserves our real appreciation. It should be staged many more times for its own merit. It did such to support the fund-raising project for the monument.

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WATKINS DOES THE JOB

Eugene P. Watkins is a methodic, conscientious and meticulous producer of funds for SUP public service. His organizational ability and tact has done great things to revitalize an easy going group of chapters into a donating, aggressive, public-spirited citizens.

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Capt. M. Verne Thurber announced that Co. A of the battalion will not hold meetings during June and July.

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Successful Memorial Day services were held May 30 at the State Capitol. Capt. Cecil Lloyd gave an informative eulogy on the famous accomplishments of the MB in 1846-47-48. Officer in charge of the day was Wendel D. Leavitt, Farmington. Flag detail was composed of William Erickson and Alan Crow. Firing squad included Elmer B. Jones, Vernon B. Curtis and Stewart E. Smith. Keith Mahoney played the bugle and Scott H. Smith the drum. Joseph H. Wood, Bountiful, sang two solos to enhance the ceremonies. Other uniformed officers on duty were Lt. Col. Sheldon R. Brewster, Lt. Howard Litchfield, and Col. Marvin E. Smith.

SUP Trip To Hawaii

Members of the Temple Quarry Chapter, SUP and friends, have scheduled a trip to Hawaii from July 20 to July 30 under the guidance of Chi's Tours Travel Agency. The sponsors need six or eight more couples to round out the party. SUP members or other L.D.S. couples who may be interested should contact Ken Rasmussen, 25-5601 or Wayne Berrett, 25-0017. The trip is by plane. Ultimate motif is a visit to the Hawaiian Temple.

Lynn Richards Resigns

Lynn Richards, after serving for many years on Salt Lake City's Board of Education, resigned at the end of the month of May, because of the pressures of other business. A devoted SUP member, he is also assistant superintendent of the Deseret Sunday School Union.

New officers of the Brigham Young Chapter, SUP: Front row—Roland H. Tietjen, chaplain; Loren C. Bryner, first vice president; Grant Ekins, president; Leland M. Parry; second vice president. Back row—Stanley J. Dalley, director Milton B. Fisher, secretary-treasurer; Wilford W. Brimhall, director; John F. Mower, chaplain; LeRoy Hafen, director; John F. Jones, immediate past president.

Horace Sorensen Honored For Corrinne Project

Horace A. Sorensen, former national president SUP and founder of Pioneer Village and the Corinne Railroad Museum, was awarded a plaque and a rifle by Strevell-Paterson on May 7, for his contribution to the Golden Spike Centennial Celebration. Making the presentation was U. J. Kuhre, president of the firm. The affair was held at the Towne House Athletic Club.

In making the presentation Mr. Kuhre said:

"Mr. Sorensen merits this honor because of his vision and persuasion in establishing the National Monument at Corinne, making this and future generations, the saga of the linking of the continent by rails from coast to coast."

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Colorful And Picturesque Places In Mountain West

By T. Mack Woolley

Green River (in Emery County) is an historic outpost town at the west end of the Gunnison Crossing of Green River. U .S. Highways 6-50 cross the river here; State 24 stretches southerly to Hanksville, and from there 95 leads to Hite in Glen Canyon. Green River is a port of embarcation of boat trips down the Green-Colorado, including Cataract Canyon, to Hite and Glen Canyon Dam; and for river trips downstream only to the confluence, thence up the Colorado to Moab.

Gunnison (in San Pete County) is a town on San Pitch Creek near its junction with the Sevier River, named for Captain J. W. Gunnison, head of a railroad survey in 1853.

Gunnison Crossing of Green River (in Grand & Emery County) is toward the head of Gunnison Valley, the open, broad lowland through which the river flows south of its emergence from Tavaputs Plateaus and their southern scarp, the Roan Cliffs. Gunnison Butte is east of the river; on the west is Beckwith Plateau. The three names of Gunnison were applied in honor of Captain J. W. Gunnison of the U. S. Reconnaissance Survey, along the 39th Parallel, as a route for a Pacific railroad. The plateau was named for Lieut. Beckwith, second in command. The party crossed the Green River here in 1853. Gunnison established the latitude and longitude and the altitude, 4,075 feet. This crossing of Green River has since borne his name.

From time immemorial, the Utes crossed the river here on rafts rudely constructed of logs bound with withes. The Americans William Wolfskill and George Yount were the first white men to cross here in the winter of 1830-31.

They were on a long exploring and trapping trip from Taos, New Mexico to Los Angeles. The route they explored became the main Spanish Trail — its beginning. There was no practiable crossing of the Green-Colorado between the Gunnison and the old Ute Ford a long way downstream, El Vado de los Padres, and that was far more difficult of access as Fray de Escalante had experienced. Armijo crossed there, westward and eastward bound, to the Mission de San Gabriel in 1829-30. John C. Fremont crossed the Green here on his expedition of 1853-54. This strategic crossing of the Green River was bridged by the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad in 1883; later, Highway 50 paralleled the rails.

Gunnison Massacre Monument (in Millard County) Southwest of Old Fort Deseret, toward the mouth of Sevier River, is the locale of the massacre of Captain J. W. Gunnison and seven of his men by Pah Vant Utes in 1853. A monument commemorates the distaster.

Harmony Creek (in Washington County) is the west originating branch of Ash Creek, arising northeast of Pine Valley Mountains; on its bank Fort Harmony was built and named in 1852 by John D. Lee; that was the southernmost white settlement. Later, a new hamlet was built, New Harmony, just west of present Highway 91. Lee's name implied agreement and concord between the settlers. This is a cluster-name.

Scouts Replace Damaged Pony Express Plaque

Scout Troop No. 9, Lehi Sixth Ward, directed by Lee Hayward, senior patrol leader, recently unveiled a new plaque in Rush Valley west of Fairfield, to replace a marker on the old Pony Express, ruined by vandals.

In brief ceremonies, John Hutchings, Lehi curator and naturalist, reviewed the history and performances of the Pony Express. Other officials present at the ceremonies included Hart Bullock, district Scout executive for the Utah National Parks Council, Boy Scouts of America, and officials of the Bureau of Lang Management on whose land the plaque has been placed.

When scout troops discovered monument plaques mounted in 1941 had been removed, said George Reynolds, assistant scoutmaster, they decided to undertake the restoration project. They contacted the Pony Express Centennial Assn. regarding obtaining new plaques and then went to work on the cleanup and renovation work at the site. The scouts mounted plaques provided by the centennial association. Members of the Lehi Chapter, Order of the Arrow, BSA, assisted with the project and performed Indian dances at the ceremonies.

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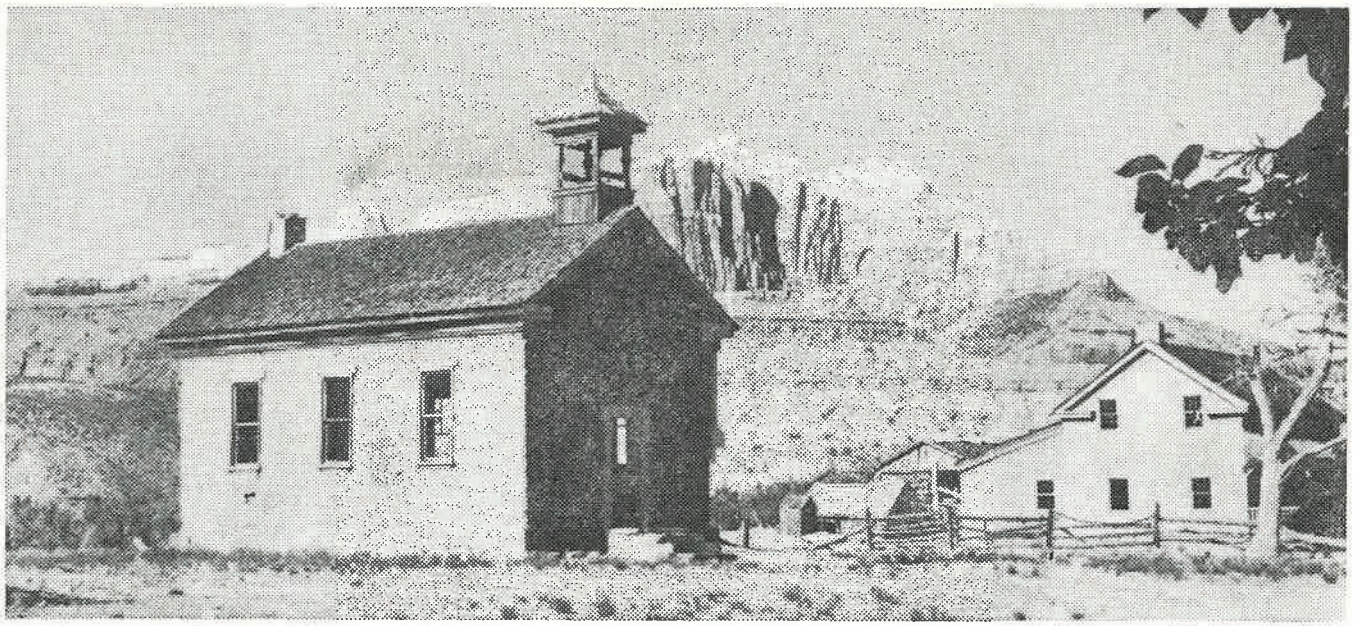

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Abandoned school house still stands in Grafton, Utah as reminder of settlers a century ago.

Mormon Landmarks Of A Century Ago

Down southern Utah way they call is Mormonland and point with pride to scores of historic landmarks reminiscent of pioneer life 100 or more years ago. A goodly number of these historic places have become tourist attractions.

These places are both natural and man-made. They are scattered from the Four Corners area to the Goose Creek Mountains in the northwest and from the meandering Virgin River in Washington County to Pickleville and Dutch John in the northeastern corners. From these corners and all up and down between, are these picturesque and colorful reminders of the colonizing Mormon pioneers.

One of the most interesting places is the old Dixie Cotton Mill near St. George, constructed under orders by Brigham Young. Not far from the old mill is the home of Jacob Hamlin, in Santa Clara, where the "buckskin apostle" resided during his many missionary encounters with the Indians. Principal attraction in the area however, is the summer home of Brigham Young a short distance from the St. George Temple with its artistically-designed grounds, along with the famous old Tabernacle where Lorenzo Snow gave his memorable revelation about tithing, also the courthouse, also a social center, built 99 years ago.

At Leeds is the ghost town of Silver Reef, where remnants of the old Wells Fargo office, the town jail and other frontier buildings stand as reminders of the wild and wooly silver rush days.

Cedar City is the site of a pioneer iron mining operation, now modernized and doing business. Not far from Kanab are the interesting Coral Pink Sand Dunes, an old adobe and brick one-room school house at Grafton which is not far from Zion National Park. In the park is some of America's scenic wonders, including the awesome Zion Narrows where the Virgin River has cut a spectacular 2,000-foot deep canyon.

It is a world of color and contrasts: Indian ruins and prehistoric writings abound in the canyons not far from splendid highways. The color ranges from the stately gray and bluish Wasatch Mountains to the red-rock country with its bluffs, plateaus and gorges.

These are places to see and to remember. Tourists driving to Utah this summer should not miss the southern Utah trip—a glimpse into the past of pioneer days and the present land of beauty and enchantment.

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THE DESERET ALPHABET

A Noble Mormon Experiment That Proved Abortive

By Les Goates
Editor of The Pioneer

With the coming of the Pony Express to Deseret Territory in 1859-60, there developed among the Mormon community a new awareness of improved communications. One of the results of this new attitude was an effort, or series of efforts, to introduce a new alphabet for the English language to be called the Deseret Alphabet.

This laudable undertaking was designed to simplify the orthography and reading of the language "by establishing a determinate and uniform relation between the sign and the sound; or, a phonetic alphabet."

The project was launched in October 1853 when the Board of Regents, University of Deseret, appointed a committee consisting of Parley P. Pratt, Heber C. Kimball and George D. Watt to spearhead the undertaking. Several public hearings were held to gathering opinions of leading educators as to what the proposed new system would accomplish.

Elder Pratt was of the opinion that each letter of the new alphabet should stand for a single sound, invariably, but this idea, it was argued, would make the alphabet too cumbersome. At a session of the board in December, 1853 the new alphabet was approved, although subsequently it was subjected to various modifications.

32 Sounds

As finally adopted and used to a limited extent, the alphabet consisted of 32 letters or sounds "of which the co-called vocal sounds were 11, including six long, with short sounds to correspond; four double, and one asperate, and 21 articulate sounds." (History of Deseret University, Ms. pp. 34-35)

As is most all things economic and cultural in the territory, a wide variety of opinions developed as to the uses to which the new alphabet was to be put. The "outside" opinion most prevalent was that it was "to prevent access to Mormon books and writings," ("A Journey To Salt Lake City," M. Jules Remy, 1861, p. 184) and this despite all the efforts heretofore put out to give all the publicity possible to Mormon books and literature and their translation into as many languages as possible. Bancroft, the historian, mentions as a likely motive, the desire to simplify English spelling and pronunciation, the need of which is emphasized by many linguists, even at this time. As a further objective of exclusiveness Bancroft explained that here was "a separate people wishing to have a separate language and perhaps in time, an independent literature."

The Deseret Alphabet . . . Ingenious But Abortive

Wrong Reason

These objectives do not appear quite kosher in the light of the territory's petition for transcontinental telegraph and railroad lines and repeated efforts for admission of Utah into the Union, all of which would make for closer association of the exiled Mormons with the rest of the country, not exclusiveness either in community or religious life.

"There was no other purpose in the adoption and creation of the Deseret Alphabet, than a laudable desire to simplify the orthography and reading of the

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The Deseret Alphabet

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English language by substitution of a simple phonetic, for the present complex and confessedly defective alphabet." (B. H. Roberts in "The History Of The Church," v. 5, pp. 79-80)

Unfortunately the experiment was not permanently successful. To rewrite an alphabet means of course to rewrite the written language entirely. This proved quite impracticable although it must be admitted that the literary elite of the Church did a magnificent work in setting up the system. The membership generally regarded it as an overwhelming challenge . . . "the difficulty of application, involving the effacement of etymologies and the disconnection of roots from their derivaties, together with the limitations of the community, made the whole endeavor abortive." (Ibid p. 80)

Ingenious Characters

The most ingenious feature of the Deseret Alphabet was the characters. These were strictly a Mormon invention. Some scholars saw in them a stereographic modification of Pitmans and other phonetic systems. Bancroft declared them to be borrowed from the Greek and makes a fanciful allusion to the relationship between this alphabet and some of the characters transcribed by the Prophet Joseph Smith from the Book of Mormon plates and to the Greek characters pi, phi, chi, rho and tau.

A font of type for the new alphabet was cast and a few books, including The Deseret First and Second Reader were published and introduced into the schools. In 1869 Orson Pratt published a Book of Mormon in the characters of the Deseret Alphabet but with this amazing performance the project reached its peak and was seen in print no more.

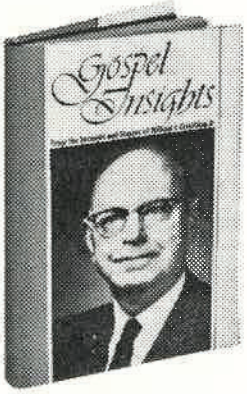
SUP Prize Story Writer Enjoys Versatile Career

Catherine M. Jaggi author of the SUP prize story "Jamaica Ginger," is the daughter of Willard Collings Maughan and Elizabeth Knowlton, both of early Mormon pioneers. Catherine was born in Farmington, Utah but lived on a dry farm in Power County, Ida. until she was three years old.

Mrs. Jaggi

The family then moved to an irrigated farm in Box Elder County where they lived until the death of her father when she was nine. Her mother moved the family of five children to Cardston, Alberta, Canada where she worked as a stenographer. When the children began to reach college age, it was the decision of the mother to return to the States where there was greater opportunity in education.

Catherine was graduated from Utah State University and was a teacher in Cache County, Logan City and Uintah County schools. She is married to Walter G. Jaggi, a son of Swiss immigrant parents.He is a child welfare worker in the State Department of Public Welfare. He has been bishop of two wards in Brigham City. The Jaggis have sent three sons to the British, South New Zealand and Swiss missions, respectively. Catherine's Church work has been mostly in the Relief Society and church music.



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'U' Society Honors Horace Sorensen As 'Man-Of-The-Year' In Education

Horace A. Sorensen, founder and director of Pioneer Village, former national president of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers and president and general manager of The South East Furniture Company, has been honored by Phi Delta Kappa of the University of Utah as "Man - of - the - Year" in Education.

Mr. Sorensen

Mr. Sorensen was honored by the men's professional education fraternity at a banquet in the cafeteria at Westminster College on April 26 after which he delivered an address. This was the 14th annual honor award by the fraternity.

Acclaimed Sanpete County's most illustrious scion, Mr. Sorensen was born February 6, 1899 at Ephraim, Utah. He graduated from the University of Utah in 1924.

Phi Delta Kappa cited him for more than 30 years of service to education in such services as:

- President of the Granite Board of Education from 1938 to 1943.
- Managing director of the Sons of Utah Pioneers Village Museum, 1954 to the present.
- Director-at-large, Pony Express Centennial, 1957 to present.
- A leader in development of the Sugarhouse Park.
- Chairman of the Pioneer Craft House, 1958 to the present.
- Founder and promoter of the Corinne, Utah, Railroad Museum.

Sorensen served as president of the Sugar House Chamber of Commerce in 1945 and 1946; was chairman of the Salt Lake Planning Commission, 1949 to 1955; served three terms as president of the National Association of Sons of Utah Pioneers, 1954 to 1957. and has received the Award of Merit given by the American Association of State and Local Historians.

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Mrs. Rendon, 107, Honored By 300 Descendents

More than 300 descendents honored Mrs. Juanita Cisneros Rivera Rendon, May 13, on the occasion of her 107th birthday. She is Utah's oldest citizen.

An open house at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Rudy Rael, 241 North, Seventh St., Tooele, attracted more than 300 descendents and friends.

Confined to a wheelchair since last February when she broke her hip in a fall, Mrs. Rendon otherwise is spry and talkative (Spanish only) said Mrs. Dorothy Martinez, a granddaughter.

Mrs. Rendon was born May 13, 1862 in Costilla, N.M. She married Franscico Rivera in Costilla. He died in 1924. Of their 16 children, three daughters and two sons are still living. She married Nabor Rendon in 1928. The couple moved to Grantsville in 1956. Mr. Rendon died in 1956.

Until her accident last February, Utah's oldest resident lived with her youngest daughter, Mrs. Andrea Ortega, 296 Center St. in Grantsville.

Would Have All Eligibles In SUP

I just received my latest Pioneer Magazine and want to let you know how much I enjoy it and tell you what a wonderful job I think you are doing.

The thing that always mystifies me is: Why does not every able, loyal Utah who can qualify for membership, joint the National Society of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers? What a superb organization and what a wonderful group of men comprise the SUP.

I worry a lot when I read in The Pioneer of the passing of so many of our valiant members, a lot of grand fellows who have given so much of their time and means to perpetuate the lofty idealism of SUP, and I wonder if we are taking in enough new members to replace these great men. This, it seems to me, is our foremost problem for upon it hinges the very life of our organization.

John F. Howells, Jr.
Los Angeles

SUP Members Urged To Support Huge World Conference On Records

During August of 1969 The Genealogy Society of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will hold a World Conference on Records and a Genealogical Convention and Seminar. Archivists, librarians, historians, and genealogists from all over the would will be invited.

This convention is being held during the Diamond Jubilee Year (75th Anniversary) of the Genealogical Society. It will be held August 5-8 in the Salt Lake County Civic Auditorium (Salt Palace).

This conference will be one of the most unique conferences of its type every held in the history of the world. Visitors will be arriving in Salt Lake City from virtually every nation in the world. Every prominent organiation, association, service club, private and civic group, industry and business has been informed of the details of this conference. Already over two hundred people are serving on the special committees which have been called to plan this conference. Because of their interest in their forebears, SUP members are urged to give this vast endeavor their full support.

Included on the special guest and program participant roster are the names of many top government officials from "Iron Curtain" countries. Our community is urged to put forth every effort to impress them with our hospitality and interest. In addition, the thousands of visitors who will arrive from throughout the United States and Canada must be made to feel welcome.

The World Conference on Records has already generated great enthusiasm in all parts of the world. The excitement is beginning to be felt in our community as the conference draws near.

Because of the world-wide interest in preserving the records of the world, (especially in microfilm form, and because of the interest in the science of genealogy, we expect this to be one of the most unique, interesting, and one of the largest convention shosted by the United States this year.

Planning coordinator for the conference is Rob R. Zabriskie, the Genealogical Society of Utah.

Autobiography Of Burton Oliver Newly Off Press

Some "pages out of the past" came to light recently with the acquisition by the Jordan High School Library of a bound volume of the "Life of Burton Muir Oliver."

Burton Oliver, donor and author of the interesting autobiography was a junior at the Jordan High School fifty years ago this school year. The year following (1920) he graduated with honors at the tenth annual commencement exercises of the school, one of the oldest high schools in the state. The first group was graduated by this institution in 1911.

Students at the school, now in years to come, in turning the pages and studying the pictures of this unique and interesting book will be absorbed by the fascinating way in which Mr. Oliver shows and tells of his early life on their farm in Union and of his school days at Union Elementary, Jordan High and the University of Utah.

Now retired, after forty years of service in high and responsible positions with the Los Angeles city school systems, Mr. Oliver resides with his wife, Ellen Smith Oliver at 1914 South Bedford Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

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Chapter presidents at annual dinner: Back row—Otto Fife, Cedar City; LeGrand E. Asay, Temple Quarry; Earl A. Hansen, Temple Fork; Ardell B. Hunt, Jefferson Hunt; John W. Taylor, George Albert Smith; Evan F. Elkins, Brigham Young; Lorenzo Bates, East Mill Creek. Front row—Aldin O. Hayward, Thomas L. Kane; Charles J. Kimber, Box Elder; Ray Knell, national president; John A. Shaw, Ogden Pioneer; David L. Reeder, Buena Ventura. (Fourteen presidents absent.)